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***Response to Arguments***

The proposed amendment while changing the scope of the invention would require further search and consideration. The amendment provides that the conversion unit convert the generated content into a form unable to be restored. While Applicant uses the example of a high quality to low quality conversion, the claims can be interpreted much more broadly than that. For example, a hash function converts content in a one-way fashion. In fact all one-way functions would meet these new limitations. Therefore an updated search and consideration of one-way functions must be made.

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